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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on line 4 of page 1, immediately after the heading "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION," as follows:

This application is a division of U.S. Patent Application number 09/999,065 filed October 30, 2001, entitled "Capacitive Distance Sensor," which is a division of Serial No. 09/019,496 filed February 5, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,320,394 and ~~allowed on July 31, 2001, entitled "Capacitive Distance Sensor, which was is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application number 08/799,548, entitled "Capacitive Distance Sensor," filed February 13, 1997, now abandoned. Additionally, this application is related to U.S. Patent Application number 09/179,923, filed October 27, 1998, and allowed September 24, 2001.~~